



# National Daily Base Lean Hog Carcass Slaughter Cost

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This report includes: Volume, Weighted Average Carcass Weight, and Base Cost for 12/21/2023

Base Cost (Packer Buying Programs)						
Date	Volume Head Count	Avg Carcass Weight	Backfat (Inches) Percent Lean	1.00-1.09 49-50%	0.80-0.99 51-52%	0.65-0.79 53-54%
12/21/23	65,686	213.46		63.45	65.28	67.05
12/20/23	69,814	213.92		63.64	65.48	67.25
12/19/23	73,629	213.19		63.56	65.41	67.20
12/18/23	68,770	212.82		63.43	65.31	67.14
12/15/23	120,840	215.56		63.65	65.53	67.34
12/14/23	78,221	214.20		63.88	65.77	67.60

## WEEKLY NATIONAL DAILY BASE LEAN HOG CARCASS SLAUGHTER COST

For Week Ended:

12/15/23	412,080	214.24		64.21	66.09	67.90
11/24/23	319,661	213.63		69.78	71.61	73.38
12/23/22	218,988	212.42		76.98	78.87	80.67

## MONTHLY NATIONAL DAILY BASE LEAN HOG CARCASS SLAUGHTER COST

For: November 2023

1,700,947	213.34		71.00	72.87	74.69
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The values in the base cost lean calculations are determined by individual packer's lean value buying programs, which are based on the backfat and loin depth both measured at the 10th rib.

Calculations include Producer Sold negotiated and swine or pork market formula and Packer Sold negotiated and swine or pork market formula data from the National Prior Day Slaughtered Swine Report (LM\_HG201).

Monthly total and weighted averages represent slaughtered hogs reported for the month.

Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.